
DIGEST

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HB No. 407

Abstract: Establishes a judicial building fund for the construction of a new courthouse for the 21st JDC in Livingston Parish and provides for filing and recordation charges in civil matters.

Proposed law provides for the following charges to be imposed and collected in all cases over which the 21st JDC for the parish of Livingston has jurisdiction:

- (1) \$100 per initial filing of a civil suit.
- (2) \$10 per filing of each additional pleading.
- (3) \$20 for the recordation of documents.

Proposed law provides that these charges shall be in addition to other civil filing fees levied and collected by the Livingston Parish Clerk of Court. Further provides that such charges shall be imposed by the judges of the 21st JDC acting en banc.

Proposed law provides that monies generated by proposed law shall be held by the Livingston Parish Clerk of Court, remitted at least monthly to the Dept. of Finance for the parish, and irrevocably deposited into the Livingston Parish Courthouse Fund. Provides for the purpose and use of the fund.

Proposed law provides for the ownership and control of the Livingston Parish Courthouse Fund and provides for the obligations of the Livingston Parish Council.

Proposed law provides procedures regarding the use of surplus funds and authorizes the reduction of the filing charges and recordation fees. Authorizes the use of cooperative endeavor agreements in conjunction with the design, construction, renovation, equipping, operation, and maintenance of the new Livingston Parish courthouse.

Proposed law provides that the state, any political subdivision, the 21st JDC, the Livingston Parish Clerk of Court, the Livingston Parish Council, and this legislature shall not impair the rights and remedies of the holder of the security for the bonds or other indebtedness until they are fully paid and discharged.

(Adds R.S. 13:996.68)

